Thomas Bergen.
Sept. 4 - 1893.

17 Arlington Street,
North Cambridge,
Mass.

Dear Mr. Brewster.

I am very sorry to bother you about what may be only commonplace, but it was such a wonderfully fine display that I thought to write you about it.

Yesterday afternoon (about 4.30), I went through the Botanic Garden on a walk with my father. In the Garden are two large beds of salvia - now in their prime - one bordering Raymond Street about eight feet by sixty or seventy feet - the other about half the size of the first.

On looking at this gorgeous display of color, we saw that it was populated by about twelve humming-birds. They uttered a peculiar squeak as they flew about hovering in the air or flying for the nectary of some flower.

I thought that if you had time you might like to go over to the Garden and see them.

Hoping that you and Mrs. Brewster are now enjoying good health,

I am your friend,

Thomas Bergen

Sep. 4th 1893

Thomas D. Bergan.
June 11-1894.

answer in fair copy first!

Raymond Street
Cambridge, Mass.
June 11 1894

Dear Mr Brewster:-

I have a slight favor to ask, which I hope without any trouble you may do for me. Mr. Hoffman, acting as a sort of curator over the bird-skins we have to use (owing to the kindness of you and Mr. Agassiz) told us that he understood they were his to use as best he could. For instance (as I understood him) he could go to his home

in Berkshire and take them with him. I have no selfish motives in asking you to whom they belong, in case Mr. Hoffman should leave here or even now whose property the skins are.

I have heard through a member of our little Club that a good many were deranged, - this may or may not be true, but I was curious to know. Be in no hurry at all to answer.

Hastily yours, mind
Thomas D. Bergen